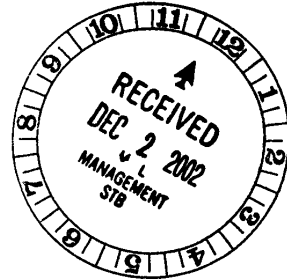


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Re: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 612X)
CSX Transportation Board
Abandonment in Greenville County, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Williams:

The City of Greenville and CSX are in negotiations for the proposed abandoned rail line referenced above. The City completed its Phase I Environmental on October 29, 2002. We received CSX's appraisal for the property on October 30, 2002. We are now setting up the Phase II Environmental and we need additional time. The trail use/rail banking expires on January 11, 2003.

The City respectfully requests and CSX agrees to a 180-day extension from January 11, 2003. If have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 864-467-4420.

Sincerely,

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Assistant City Attorney

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